

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
17th Legislative Day
Thursday, February 28, 2013

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Reverend Richard A. Bamforth, Augusta (retired).

National Anthem by Jesse Wakeman, South Portland.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Charles Pattavina, MD, FACEP, Winterport.

The Journal of Tuesday, February 26, 2013 was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS
Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Role of Career and Technical Education Region Adult Education Programs"

(H.P. 396) (L.D. 577)

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in the House on February 21, 2013.

Came from the Senate **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **MAINE'S WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC FUTURE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion of Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham, **TABLED** pending **FURTHER CONSIDERATION** and later today assigned.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Award Academic Credit to Service Members for Military Education, Experience and Training"

(H.P. 397) (L.D. 578)

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in the House on February 21, 2013.

Came from the Senate **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **MAINE'S WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC FUTURE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 86)

STATE OF MAINE
126TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 22, 2013

Honorable Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Pursuant to our authority under Title 12, MRSA, §6447, we are pleased to make the following appointments to the Lobster Management Policy Council:

Senator Christopher K. Johnson of Lincoln

Senator Edward Mazurek of Knox

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,

S/Justin L. Alfond

President of the Senate

S/Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 85)

STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 28, 2013

Honorable Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Eves:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass:"

Health and Human Services

L.D. 77

An Act To Require Health Care Practitioners To Distribute Free Samples of Medication in Certain Circumstances

Insurance and Financial Services

L.D. 70

An Act To Require Full Disclosure by Insurance Carriers Using Credit Ratings

Taxation

L.D. 73

An Act To Exempt Persons 65 Years of Age or Older Whose Income Is below the Poverty Line from Paying Property Taxes on Their Homes

Transportation

L.D. 75

An Act To Ensure Pedestrian Safety in Roundabouts

Veterans and Legal Affairs

L.D. 121

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Operation of Tournament Games by Charitable Organizations

The sponsors and cosponsors have been notified of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of House

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: (H.C. 87)

TOWN OF PITTSFIELD
RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved by the Pittsfield Town Council:

Whereas, the Pittsfield Town Council is deeply concerned and wishes to express its opposition to multiple proposals to Shift the Burden of Funding State Government to Municipalities through the Property Tax and to the Property Tax Payer.

Whereas, the State Administration has submitted a proposed budget for the coming biennium that will dramatically shift the burden of funding state government to the property tax by eliminating or significantly modifying multiple property tax relief programs;

Whereas, the proposal to suspend municipal revenue sharing would result in a loss of over \$372,299 in revenues, which represents 23.1% of the Town's Revenue Budget and \$1.66 on the property tax rate;

Whereas, the proposal to redirect the commercial excise tax would result in a loss of approximately \$124,640 or 7.7% of the Town's Revenue Budget and \$.56 on the property tax rate;

Whereas, in the second year of the biennium, the business equipment tax reimbursement program would be eliminated which provides a reimbursement to the Town of \$239,607 and represents \$1.07 on the property tax rate if the funds are not otherwise reimbursed;

Whereas, SAD #53 would be required to pay additional monies to fund Teacher Retirement under the Governor's budget proposal which would affect the school budget and ultimately be reflected in the community's assessment;

Whereas, eliminating the homestead exemption in FY 15 for those under 65 will increase taxes for those residents by \$185.00 in that year if the Town's tax rate remains the same;

Whereas, low and moderate income residents under the age of 65 who now qualify for the state property tax circuit breaker program will no longer qualify for it in the coming budget year;

Whereas, if enacted, these changes reflect 31% of the Municipality's revenue sources as a base plus the BETE Revenue, excluding impacts on the school assessment;

Whereas, to replace these revenues through property taxation, the Town's tax rate would need to be increased by \$3.29 mils without including the impact of SAD #53's assessment and before considering any needs of the community in its budget;

Whereas, these proposals would dramatically increase property taxes in Pittsfield and all communities and also require large spending reductions that will challenge the Town's ability to protect the health, safety and welfare of the community through providing basic services.

Now, therefore, be It Resolved by the Pittsfield Town Council to express its opposition to the proposed state budget which significantly shifts the burden of funding state government to the property tax and property tax payer. Further, the Pittsfield Town Council calls upon the members of the Legislature to fully fund municipal revenue sharing for the coming biennium, fulfill the State's K-12 Education Funding Mandate under the School Finance act of 2003, allow the towns to keep the commercial excise tax it collects, continue the BETE reimbursement to the communities for the property taxes no longer paid to the Towns for business equipment, and maintain the Circuit Breaker and Homestead Exemption property tax relief programs for our citizens.

Signed February 19, 2013 by the Pittsfield Town Council:

S/Gary R. Jordan, Jr., Mayor

S/Michael A. Cianchette, Councilor

S/Timothy P. Nicholas, Deputy Mayor

S/Caleb K. Curtis, Councilor

S/Donna M. Chale, Councilor

S/Heather J. Donahue, Councilor

READ and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills and Resolves were received, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were **REFERRED** to the following Committees, ordered printed and sent for concurrence:

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund the Construction of a New State Archives Facility"

(H.P. 532) (L.D. 781)

Sponsored by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Support Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Education To Enhance Economic Development"

(H.P. 533) (L.D. 782)

Sponsored by Representative MacDONALD of Boothbay.

Cosponsored by Representative BEAVERS of South Berwick and Representatives: BRIGGS of Mexico, CHAPMAN of Brooksville, CHIPMAN of Portland, COOPER of Yarmouth, DICKERSON of Rockland, GILBERT of Jay, HERBIG of Belfast, HICKMAN of Winthrop, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, JONES of Freedom, KORNFIELD of Bangor, KRUGER of Thomaston, KUSIAK of Fairfield, LIBBY of Lewiston, MASON of Topsham, NELSON of Falmouth, PEOPLES of Westbrook, RANKIN of Hiram, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, RYKERSON of Kittery, SANBORN of Gorham, SCHNECK of Bangor, TIPPING-SPITZ of Orono, TREAT of Hallowell.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Bill "An Act To Require Firearms Used in the Commission of Certain Acts To Be Civilly Forfeited to the State and Destroyed"

(H.P. 497) (L.D. 724)

Sponsored by Representative DION of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator: PLUMMER of Cumberland.

Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Reciprocity for Concealed Handguns Permits"

(H.P. 522) (L.D. 771)

Sponsored by Representative MARKS of Pittston.

Cosponsored by Representative CRAY of Palmyra and Representatives: DEVIN of Newcastle, SHORT of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Taking or Possession of a Natural Resource That Is on the Land of Another"

(H.P. 500) (L.D. 749)

Sponsored by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CASSIDY of Lubec, CRAY of Palmyra, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, RUSSELL of Portland, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested.

On motion of Representative DION of Portland, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill To Ensure the Proper Treatment of Bullying Situations in Schools

(H.P. 496) (L.D. 723)

Sponsored by Representative McCLELLAN of Raymond.

Cosponsored by Representatives: HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, JOHNSON of Greenville, MAKER of Calais, POULIOT of Augusta.

Bill "An Act To Make the Completion of an Internship a Requirement for High School Graduation"

(H.P. 501) (L.D. 750)

Sponsored by Representative CHENETTE of Saco.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, KAENRATH of South Portland, NADEAU of Fort Kent, NOON of Sanford, SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

Bill "An Act To Limit the Effect of Standardized Tests on Teacher Evaluations"

(H.P. 502) (L.D. 751)

Sponsored by Representative MacDONALD of Boothbay.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CASAVANT of Biddeford, McLEAN of Gorham, SANBORN of Gorham, WELSH of Rockport.

Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force on Franco-Americans Regarding the Reporting of Franco-American Ethnicity Data"

(H.P. 523) (L.D. 772)

Sponsored by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Senator CLEVELAND of Androscoggin and Representatives: BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, CAREY of Lewiston, CASAVANT of Biddeford, CRAY of Palmyra, DION of Portland, FREDETTE of Newport, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, THERIAULT of Madawaska.

Resolve, To Enhance the Study of Franco-American History in Schools

(H.P. 524) (L.D. 773)

Sponsored by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CASAVANT of Biddeford, CRAY of Palmyra, DION of Portland, FREDETTE of Newport, KAENRATH of South Portland, LIBBY of Lewiston, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, THERIAULT of Madawaska.

Bill "An Act To Change the Voting Requirements for the Withdrawal of a Municipality from a Regional School Unit" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 534) (L.D. 783)

Sponsored by Representative MALABY of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Senator BURNS of Washington and Representatives: DUNPHY of Embden, GUERIN of Glenburn, JOHNSON of Greenville, LIBBY of Waterboro, LUCHINI of Ellsworth, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough, TURNER of Burlington.

ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

Resolve, Regarding a Fire and Police Protocols Pilot Program for E-9-1-1 Call Processing

(H.P. 525) (L.D. 774)

Sponsored by Representative HOBBINS of Saco.

Cosponsored by Senator CLEVELAND of Androscoggin.

Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill "An Act To Restore the Resource Development Centers to Full Operation"

(H.P. 503) (L.D. 752)

Sponsored by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin and Representatives: BOLAND of Sanford, CASSIDY of Lubec, HARLOW of Portland, STUCKEY of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Sale of High-caffeine Energy Drinks to Persons under 18 Years of Age"

(H.P. 504) (L.D. 753)

Sponsored by Representative CASSIDY of Lubec.

Cosponsored by Representatives: HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, MAKER of Calais, SCHNECK of Bangor, TURNER of Burlington.

Bill "An Act To Encourage Transparency in the Disclosing of the Ingredients in Vaccinations for Children"

(H.P. 505) (L.D. 754)

Sponsored by Representative BOLAND of Sanford.

Cosponsored by Senator TUTTLE of York and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CHENETTE of Saco, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HARLOW of Portland, LIBBY of Lewiston, Senators: JOHNSON of Lincoln, THOMAS of Somerset.

Bill "An Act To Require Estimates of Patient Costs Prior to Treatment"

(H.P. 506) (L.D. 755)

Sponsored by Representative BOLAND of Sanford.

Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and Representatives: DeCHANT of Bath, MacDONALD of Old Orchard Beach, PEAHEY HASKELL of Milford, RUSSELL of Portland, SHAW of Standish, STUCKEY of Portland, Senators: COLLINS of York, SAVIELLO of Franklin.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Bill "An Act To Amend the Hunting Laws as They Pertain to the Training of Dogs"

(H.P. 508) (L.D. 757)

Sponsored by Representative SHORT of Pittsfield.

Cosponsored by Senator DUTREMBLE of York and Representatives: DAVIS of Sangerville, EVANGELOS of Friendship, GILBERT of Jay, MARKS of Pittston, WOOD of Sabattus, Senator: BURNS of Washington.

Bill "An Act To Protect Boats, Moorings and Docks in the Inland Waters of the State"

(H.P. 509) (L.D. 758)

Sponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop. (BY REQUEST)

Bill "An Act To Require a Nonresident To Hire a Maine Guide To Hunt Sea Ducks"

(H.P. 526) (L.D. 775)

Sponsored by Representative ESPLING of New Gloucester. (BY REQUEST)

Cosponsored by Representatives: CASSIDY of Lubec, GILLWAY of Searsport, WOOD of Sabattus.

INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

Bill "An Act Regarding Subrogation of Medical Payments Coverage"

(H.P. 507) (L.D. 756)

Sponsored by Representative BECK of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, CAREY of Lewiston, Senator: GERZOSKY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Related to Rate and Form Filings"

(H.P. 527) (L.D. 776)

Sponsored by Representative BECK of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and Representatives: GOODE of Bangor, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, Senator: WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

Bill "An Act To Impose Penalties for Residential Mortgage Loan Fraud and False Representation Concerning Title"

(H.P. 535) (L.D. 784)

Sponsored by Representative BEAVERS of South Berwick.

Cosponsored by Senator DUTREMBLE of York and Representatives: CASAVANT of Biddeford, CHIPMAN of Portland, LAJOIE of Lewiston, MARKS of Pittston, PEASE of Morrill, Senator: MASON of Androscoggin.

Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative TREAT of Hallowell, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act To Hold Harmless a Municipality For Volunteer or Unpaid Labor"

(H.P. 510) (L.D. 759)

Sponsored by Representative KNIGHT of Livermore Falls.

Bill "An Act Regarding Informed Consent to an Abortion"

(H.P. 511) (L.D. 760)

Sponsored by Representative ESPLING of New Gloucester.

Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: FITZPATRICK of Houlton, GUERIN of Glenburn, MAKER of Calais, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough, VOLK of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Protect Working Mothers Who Breast-feed"

(H.P. 528) (L.D. 777)

Sponsored by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth.

Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, GUERIN of Glenburn, MONAGHAN-DERRIG of Cape Elizabeth, SAUCIER of Presque Isle.

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Periodic Review and Revision of Statutory Provisions"

(H.P. 536) (L.D. 785)

Sponsored by Representative PRIEST of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator VALENTINO of York and Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, DeCHANT of Bath, GUERIN of Glenburn, MOONEN of Portland, MORIARTY of Cumberland, PEAVEY HASKELL of Milford, VILLA of Harrison, Senator: BURNS of Washington.

LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolve, To Establish a Task Force To Review Section 8 Housing Construction Standards

(H.P. 495) (L.D. 722)

Sponsored by Representative PLANTE of Berwick.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GIDEON of Freeport, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, VOLK of Scarborough, Senator: PLUMMER of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Protect Doctors Who Prescribe a Complementary Course of Treatment and To Provide Insurance Coverage for That Treatment"

(H.P. 498) (L.D. 747)

Sponsored by Representative AYOTTE of Caswell.

Cosponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: CRAFTS of Lisbon, CRAY of Palmyra, DAVIS of Sangerville, DOAK of Columbia Falls, JOHNSON of Greenville, LONG of Sherman, Senators: THOMAS of Somerset, YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Agricultural Exemption to the Workers' Compensation Laws"

(H.P. 512) (L.D. 761)

Sponsored by Representative CRAY of Palmyra.

Cosponsored by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, DAVIS of Sangerville, GIFFORD of Lincoln, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, Senators: CUSHING of Penobscot, THIBODEAU of Waldo.

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Voluntary Membership of Public Employees in Unions"

(H.P. 537) (L.D. 786)

Sponsored by Representative LOCKMAN of Amherst.

Cosponsored by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot and Representatives: CHASE of Wells, CRAFTS of Lisbon, HAYES of Buckfield, KESCHL of Belgrade, PARRY of Arundel, REED of Carmel, VOLK of Scarborough, WINCHENBACH of Waldoboro.

MARINE RESOURCES

Bill "An Act Regarding the Passage of River Herring on the St. Croix River" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 499) (L.D. 748)

Sponsored by Representative MacDONALD of Boothbay.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CHAPMAN of Brooksville, MITCHELL of the Penobscot Nation, SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

Bill "An Act To Develop Principles To Guide Fisheries Management Decisions"

(H.P. 529) (L.D. 778)

Sponsored by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Senator JOHNSON of Lincoln.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Bill "An Act To Encourage Municipal Infrastructure Improvement"

(H.P. 538) (L.D. 787)

Sponsored by Representative CASAVANT of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, DeCHANT of Bath, EVANGELOS of Friendship, RUSSELL of Portland, Senator: DUTREMBLE of York.

TAXATION

Bill "An Act To Facilitate Collection of Property Taxes on Personal Property"

(H.P. 513) (L.D. 762)

Sponsored by Representative CASAVANT of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, EVANGELOS of Friendship, RUSSELL of Portland, Senator: DUTREMBLE of York.

TRANSPORTATION

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation and the Maine Turnpike Authority To Conduct a Study Regarding the Need for a Passenger Transit Service Linking Municipalities from Portland North to Lewiston and Auburn

(H.P. 514) (L.D. 763)

Sponsored by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Senator CLEVELAND of Androscoggin.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Conduct a Traffic Study To Consider Whether To Open Water Street in Augusta to 2-way Traffic

(H.P. 515) (L.D. 764)

Sponsored by Representative WILSON of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and Representative: POULIOT of Augusta.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Regarding Motorcycle Registration Expiration Dates"

(H.P. 516) (L.D. 765)

Sponsored by Representative CASAVANT of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, CAMPBELL of Newfield, EVANGELOS of Friendship, RUSSELL of Portland, Senator: VALENTINO of York.

Bill "An Act To Require a Public Notification and Hearing Process before Any Toll Increase by the Maine Turnpike Authority and Establish a Formal Grievance Process"

(H.P. 530) (L.D. 779)

Sponsored by Representative ESPLING of New Gloucester.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CAREY of Lewiston, CHASE of Wells, MacDONALD of Old Orchard Beach, PARRY of Arundel, WERTS of Auburn.

Bill "An Act To Reduce Conflicts of Interest in the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program"

(H.P. 531) (L.D. 780)

Sponsored by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, HARLOW of Portland, RUSSELL of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Provide Vehicle Owners and Repair Facilities Access to Vehicle Diagnostic and Repair Information and Equipment"

(H.P. 539) (L.D. 788)

Sponsored by Representative AYOTTE of Caswell.

Cosponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, DAVIS of Sangerville, DOAK of Columbia Falls, JOHNSON of Greenville, LONG of Sherman, NADEAU of Fort Kent, Senators: THOMAS of Somerset, YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot.

VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Define 'Brand' under the Liquor Laws"

(H.P. 517) (L.D. 766)

Sponsored by Representative BEAULIEU of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: CAREY of Lewiston, GIFFORD of Lincoln, KINNEY of Limington, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, LIBBY of Lewiston, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, Senator: PATRICK of Oxford.

Bill "An Act To Limit Contributions to Candidates for Maine Offices to Maine Residents"

(H.P. 518) (L.D. 767)

Sponsored by Representative MacDONALD of Boothbay.

Bill "An Act To Increase Access to Voter Lists"

(H.P. 519) (L.D. 768)

Sponsored by Representative CHIPMAN of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: JOHNSON of Eddington, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, SCHNECK of Bangor, Senators: HASKELL of Cumberland, MASON of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Create Fairness in Political Party Enrollment Deadlines"

(H.P. 520) (L.D. 769)

Sponsored by Representative CHIPMAN of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FOWLE of Vassalboro, GOODE of Bangor, JOHNSON of Eddington, KESCHL of Belgrade, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, Senator: PATRICK of Oxford.

Bill "An Act Regarding Corporate and Other Entity Campaign Advertising Disclosure and Accountability"

(H.P. 521) (L.D. 770)

Sponsored by Representative MacDONALD of Boothbay.

Cosponsored by Representative KRUGER of Thomaston and Representatives: CAREY of Lewiston, GRANT of Gardiner, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, SANBORN of Gorham.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

ORDERS

On motion of Representative RANKIN of Hiram, the following House Order: (H.O. 13)

ORDERED, that Representative L. Gary Knight of Livermore Falls be excused February 19 for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Victoria P. Kornfield of Bangor be excused February 26 for health reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Walter A. Kumiega III of Deer Isle be excused February 19 and 21 for legislative business.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Lawrence E. Lockman of Amherst be excused February 14 for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Ricky D. Long of Sherman be excused February 19 and 21 for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Paul D. McGowan of York be excused February 14, 19 and 21 for health reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Sharon Anglin Treat of Hallowell be excused February 26 for legislative business.

READ and PASSED.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Ought to Pass - Orders

Report of the Joint Select Committee on **JOINT RULES** on Joint Order, To Amend the Joint Rules To Require Review of a Proposal To Create a New Crime or Enhance an Existing Criminal Penalty

(S.P. 29)

Reporting **Ought to Pass**.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Joint Order **PASSED**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 102, this Joint Order required the affirmative vote of two-thirds of those present for **PASSAGE**. 123 having voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, 123 being more than two-thirds of the membership present, the Joint Order was **PASSED** in concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following item appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 44) (L.D. 49) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Payment of Fees to Registers of Deeds" Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass**

There being no objections, the above item was ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar tomorrow under the listing of Second Day.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Second Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the Second Day:

(S.P. 18) (L.D. 29) Bill "An Act To Provide Support Services to Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder"

(S.P. 19) (L.D. 30) Bill "An Act To Provide Home and Community Services for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism"

(H.P. 177) (L.D. 216) Bill "An Act To Extend the Hours for the Sale of Liquor on Sunday When St. Patrick's Day Is on a Sunday" (EMERGENCY)

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the Senate Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence and the House Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** and sent for concurrence.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following matter, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment Tuesday, February 26, 2013, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Bill "An Act To Change the Schedule for the Beginning of the Biennial Budget Cycle"

(H.P. 58) (L.D. 80)

(Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested)

TABLED - January 22, 2013 (Till Later Today) by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, on motion of Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from York, Representative McGowan, who wishes to address the House on the record.

Representative **McGOWAN**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In reference to Roll Call No. 1, on LD 576, had I been present, I would have voted nay. In reference to Roll Call No. 2, on LD 576, had I been present, I would have voted nay. In reference to Roll Call No. 3, on LD 576, had I been present, I would have voted nay. In reference to Roll Call No. 4, on LD 250, had I been present, I would have voted nay. In reference to Roll Call No. 5, on LD 250, had I been present, I would have voted nay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 285)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 10:00 in the morning.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.

READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Promote Sustainable Food Policies"

(S.P. 283) (L.D. 745)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Allow Charter Schools To Request Waivers from Certain Requirements"

(S.P. 267) (L.D. 729)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Regional School Unit Budget Validation Process"

(S.P. 280) (L.D. 742)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Add a Flame Retardant to the Lists of Chemicals of Concern and of High Concern

(S.P. 273) (L.D. 735)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** in concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide an Exception to the 60-day Limit on Out-of-state Services under the MaineCare Section 21 Waiver Program

(S.P. 284) (L.D. 746)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect Maine's Loons by Banning Lead Sinkers and Jigs"

(S.P. 268) (L.D. 730)

Bill "An Act To Establish the Review Board of Appeals To Review the Denial of Hunting and Fishing Licenses"

(S.P. 274) (L.D. 736)

Bill "An Act To Promote the Northern Maine Economy and Support Maine's Sporting Camp Tradition"

(S.P. 276) (L.D. 738)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Adopt the Uniform Parentage Act"
(S.P. 264) (L.D. 726)

Bill "An Act To Improve the Child Support Collection Process"
(S.P. 271) (L.D. 733)

Bill "An Act To Extend the Statute of Limitations on Certain Civil Professional Negligence Suits"
(S.P. 282) (L.D. 744)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Impose a Holding Period during Which a Dealer in Secondhand Precious Metals Must Retain Property"
(S.P. 270) (L.D. 732)

Resolve, To Establish a Task Force To Study Economic Development in Rural Areas
(S.P. 277) (L.D. 739)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Promote Workforce Development and Training in the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Energy Efficiency and Conservation Trades"
(S.P. 275) (L.D. 737)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **MAINE'S WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC FUTURE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on **MAINE'S WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC FUTURE** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Elver Harvesting Licenses and Preserve the Fishery through Conservation"
(S.P. 269) (L.D. 731)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** in concurrence.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require That the Attorney General Be Elected by Popular Vote
(S.P. 278) (L.D. 740)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Dealing with the Taxing of Extended Warranty Claims for Trucks"
(S.P. 266) (L.D. 728)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Sales Tax Exemption on Depreciable Equipment Used in Commercial Wood Harvesting"
(S.P. 272) (L.D. 734)

Bill "An Act To Promote Fairness in the Sales Tax Exemption for Vehicles Used in Interstate Commerce"
(S.P. 279) (L.D. 741)

Bill "An Act To Extend and Improve the Maine Seed Capital Tax Credit Program"
(S.P. 281) (L.D. 743)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** in concurrence.

Pursuant to Statute

Judicial Compensation Commission

Report of the **Judicial Compensation Commission** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1701 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Judicial Compensation Commission" (EMERGENCY)
(S.P. 263) (L.D. 725)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Came from the Senate, Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

On motion of Representative WEAVER of York, the House adjourned at 11:01 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 5, 2013 pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 285).